

To: Keener, Bill[Keener.Bill@epa.gov]
From: Calvino, Maria Soledad
Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 12:18:12 AM
Subject: RE: Finalize fact sheet please

Bill,

Paragraph 5 on our fact sheet, the one that says “Sunnyside also reached an agreement with the state and Gold King mining (a small operation owned by a Silvertonian),” came from the article <http://www.hcn.org/articles/when-our-river-turned-orange-animas-river-spill>. (Please see paragraph 10, the one that starts with “**Then it got even more complex:**”)

From: Calvino, Maria Soledad
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 4:57 PM
To: Keener, Bill
Cc: Higuchi, Dean
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Bill,

The fact sheet mentions Sunnyside Gold Corp., as being the owner of the last big mine in the region, the Sunnyside, which shut down in 1991.

The fact sheet does not mention anything about San Juan Corp., but according to [this article](#), they are the owners of GKM:

“San Juan Corp., property owner of the Golden King Mine released the following statement:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, operating under an access agreement obtained from the owner of the Gold King Mine, had begun an investigation regarding the source of contaminated water at the Gold King Mine last year. Upon suspending work last year, the USEPA backfilled the portal to the mine. On August 5th, 2015, while the USEPA was removing the backfill from the portal to the Gold King Mine to continue its investigation this year, the plug blew out releasing contaminated water behind the backfill into the Animas River.”

Should we add something about them?

Let me know,

Soledad

From: Keener, Bill
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 4:38 PM
To: Calvino, Maria Soledad
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Can you check??

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From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 4:32 PM
To: Keener, Bill; Harris-Bishop, Rusty
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Yes route through JIC. But I just caught something – isn't San Juan Corp the owner? It talks about Sunnyside and Shaun said San Juan Corp on the media call one of the days.

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From: Keener, Bill
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 5:26 PM
To: Harris-Bishop, Rusty
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
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I assumed through the JIC – to go on the HQ website

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Are we going to route this through the JIC or is Region 8 posting?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 13, 2015, at 5:10 PM, Keener, Bill <Keener.Bill@epa.gov> wrote:

Ok...here's the final version, ready for public release – and I went over all the R8 comments and addressed them. Thanks!

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From: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
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To: Keener, Bill
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Hey Bill – Program has reviewed (see below). Please finalize and then we'll send it to the JIC.

Thanks.

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From: Peronard, Paul
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 3:47 PM
To: Stavnes, Sandra
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa; Way, Steven
Subject: RE: Background material on Gold King mine & watershed

Sandy,

I have reviewed the fact sheet you forwarded and compared it to the Action Memo, Polreps, and other documents on the epaossc.org website for the Red and Bonita Mine Site (which includes part of the Gold King). The fact sheet is consistent with the information we have on the website, although the fact sheet goes into greater detail on the Gold King (e.g. first owned by Olaf...production values...etc.) than we have on the website. I really don't have any way to judge this additional information, but it appears to be reasonably well-sourced.

paul

From: Stavnes, Sandra
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 12:35 PM

To: Peronard, Paul
Cc: McClain-Vanderpool, Lisa
Subject: Background material on Gold King mine & watershed

Paul

Please review for technical accuracy. Thanks.

Sandy

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